

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking to Establish
Policies and Cost Recovery Mechanisms for
Generation Procurement and Renewable
Resource Development.

Rulemaking 01-10-024
(Filed October 25, 2001)

(RPS Phase)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING
SETTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

A proposed schedule for the Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) phase of this proceeding was discussed at the Prehearing Conference (PHC) on February 18, 2003. Based on those discussions, the following schedule is established:

February 25-27, 2003	Workshop: Developing Flexible Compliance Mechanisms
March 4-6	Workshop: Determining the Market Price Referents
March 11-13	Workshop: Establishing Standard Contract Terms and Conditions
March 18-20	Workshop: Defining Least Cost and Best Fit and Bid Ranking Criteria
March 27	Testimony
April 7-11	Evidentiary Hearings
April 25	Concurrent Opening Briefs
May 2	Concurrent Reply Briefs
May 16	Proposed Decision
June 19	Commission Decision

All workshops begin at 10 a.m. The first day of hearings will begin at 10 a.m. Please note that only one round of testimony is permitted. Given the history of this proceeding, along with the intensive workshop schedule, parties should have a good understanding of each other's positions, reducing the need for reply testimony. In addition, issues may be resolved collaboratively through the workshop process. To the extent that parties do resolve issues prior to March 27, they should present joint testimony on any uncontested issues. Parties may file separate testimony on contested issues. A comparison exhibit, including an issue matrix, showing the positions of all parties on the issues to be addressed here, should be prepared and distributed on April 7, at the beginning of the evidentiary hearings.

Several changes have also been made to the Workplan that was attached to the February 3, 2003, ALJ Ruling.¹ Specifically, RPS Collaborative Staff will no longer issue a white paper on the issue of determining the market price referents, and the white paper on the issue of defining least cost and best fit and bid ranking criteria will be issued on March 7, rather than mid-March. In addition, an initial working group report on the issue of establishing standard contract terms and conditions is due on March 5, rather than March 3.

IT IS RULED that:

1. The schedule of the RPS phase of this proceeding is established, as described above.
2. The Workplan is modified, as described above.
3. All testimony is due on March 27, 2003, as described above. Joint testimony should be submitted on uncontested issues.

¹ *Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Issuing Workplan and Collaboration Guidelines.*

4. A comparison exhibit is to be prepared and distributed on April 7, 2003, as described above.

Dated February 21, 2003, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ PETER V. ALLEN

Peter V. Allen
Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail, and by electronic mail, to the parties to which an electronic mail address has been provided, this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Setting Procedural Schedule on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated February 21, 2003, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ TERESITA C. GALLARDO

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